



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Thomas J. Skierski, et. al.) Examiner: Layla G. Lauchman
Docket No.: 7265) Group Art Unit: 2877
Serial No.: 10/811,094)
Filing Date: March 26, 2004)
For: Method of Verifying Color and Strength Properties)
of Wood Stains)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated February 22, 2005, reconsideration of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.